Village Board Meeting May 9, 2022

Members present: Mayor Wohl, Trustees Gurda and Scotto

Also present: DPW Superintendent Birney, Village Clerk Darby, Attorney Donovan, Building Inspector Lewis, and Police Chief Watt

Mayor Wohl called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were not any modifications to the agenda, therefore, it was accepted as presented.

On a motion by Trustee Scotto, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Minutes of the April 25, 2022 Village Board Meeting were accepted as presented.

Gurda aye O'Donnell absent Scotto aye

Items of Business

1. Local Law #1

RESOLUTION 41 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2022: AMENDING CHAPTER 54, ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC," TO THE EXTENT OF MODIFYING CHAPTER 54-6 ENTITLED "IMPOUNDMENT, REDEMPTION OF VEHICLES."

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen Attorney has modified a local law at the direction of a Resolution from the Village Board; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was scheduled and took place on April 25, 2022; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the law titled, Amending Chapter 54, Entitled, "Traffic," to the extent of modifying chapter 54-6 entitled "Impoundment, redemption of vehicles" has been adopted by the Village Board of Trustees.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Gurda and seconded by Trustee Scotto. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

2. Set Hourly Rates for Part-time Positions

RESOLUTION 45 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO SET THE HOURLY RATES FOR PART-TIME POSITIONS ARE TO BE INCREASED BY 2.25% EFFECTIVE, JUNE 1, 2022, FOR THE FOLLOWING: POLICE OFFICERS, POLICE DISPATCHERS, CLERICAL, COURT ATTENDANTS, DPW SEASONAL LABORERS

WHEREAS, at the May 9, 2022 Village Board Meeting, the hourly rates for part-time positions are determined, and are to be increased effective, June 1, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, the Village Board approves the hourly rates for part-time positions to be increased by 2.25% effective, June 1, 2022, as follows:

- Police Officers
- Police Dispatchers
- Clerical
- Court Attendants
- DPW Seasonal Laborers

Motion to adopt by Trustee Scotto and seconded by Trustee Gurda. The vote was $\underline{3}$ ayes to $\underline{}$ nays with $\underline{}$ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

3. Accept NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement Grant

RESOLUTION 46 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE VILLAGE OF GOSHEN TO ACCEPT THE NYS WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT GRANT FOR \$3 MILLION, AND ALLOW THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE ACCEPTANCE LETTER FOR THE GRANT

WHEREAS, a letter was received from Maureen A. Coleman, President and CEO of NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation dated April 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the letter notified the Village of Goshen that they had been awarded a \$3,000,000 NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement (WIIA) Grant for a filtration plant upgrade; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen would like to accept this grant and the conditions set forth in the letter;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, the Village Board approves the acceptance of the NYSWIIA Grant for \$3,000,000;

and it is further

RESOLVED, the Village Board approves Mayor Wohl to sign the acceptance letter of the grant.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Scotto and seconded by Trustee Gurda. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

4. Hire Full-time Police Officer

RESOLUTION 47 of 2022

A RESOLUTION HIRING FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER TYLER GENNARELLI

WHEREAS, there is a full-time vacancy for a police officer available at the Village of Goshen Police Department; and

WHEREAS, there is a sense of urgency to hire from a certified list as a result of an anticipated personnel shortage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby accepts the hiring of Tyler Gennarelli,

and it is further

RESOLVED, that the hiring of the above individual is specifically subject to the following:

- 1. An annual salary of \$76,160.00;
- 2. Pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment paper work, and physical and psychological testing;
- 3. This appointment includes a maximum probationary period of 18 months.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Gurda and seconded by Trustee Scotto. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

5. Recipient of 2022 Scholarship

RESOLUTION 48 of 2022

A RESOLUTION ANNOUNCING THE RECIPIENT OF THE 2022 VILLAGE OF GOSHEN SCHOLARSHIP

WHEREAS, there is available funding from the Orange County Community Development Block Grant Program in the amount of \$2,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the recipient is chosen based on academics, community service and financial need; and

WHEREAS, applications were received and reviewed by the Mayor and Village Clerk; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby awards the 2022 Village of Goshen Scholarship to

Motion to adopt by Trustee Gurda and seconded by Trustee Scotto. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

6. Amend Fee Schedule

RESOLUTION 49 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FEE SCHEDULE TO ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING FEES: IMPOUNDMENT: \$150.00 DAILY STORAGE: \$75.00

WHEREAS, the current fee schedule does not include fees for towing and daily storage; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board made the decision to include and set the fee schedules for impoundment and storage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby amends the fee schedule to establish and set the following fees: Impoundment \$150.00 and Daily Storage \$75.00.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Gurda and seconded by Trustee Scotto. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

7. Hire Devine Design for Website Update

RESOLUTION 50 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE DEVINE DESIGN TO UPDATE THE VILLAGE OF GOSHEN WEBSITE

WHEREAS, the current Village of Goshen website is outdated, difficult to navigate, and non-ADA compliant;

WHEREAS, web design companies were researched for their ability and completed websites;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby hires Devine Design for the following services:

| • | Total 1 st year cost | \$8,030 |
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| • | Basics Update Package | \$1,620/year |
| • | Website hosting (free for first year) | \$200/year |
| • | Monthly security updates | \$120/year |
| • | Website investment (building/updating/redesign) | \$5,600 |
| • | Website accessibility | \$490/year |

Motion to adopt by Trustee Scotto and seconded by Trustee Gurda. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

8. Hire Part-time Police Officer

RESOLUTION 51 of 2022

A RESOLUTION HIRING MICHAEL J. GLICK AS A PART-TIME VILLAGE OF GOSHEN POLICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, a part-time vacancy for a police officer will be available within the Village of Goshen Police Department as of July 4, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the candidate has been pre-approved by Orange County Human Resources for employment as a PT Police Officer; and

WHEREAS, he will graduate basic training on his own on July 6th; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen Police Department will sponsor him for 3 weeks of phase 2 basic and then begin his field training; and

WHEREAS, a background check has been completed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby accepts the hiring of Michael J. Glick, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the hiring of the above individual is specifically subject to the following:

- 1. An hourly rate of \$26.01 per hour;
- 2. Pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment paper work, and physical and psychological testing;
- 3. This appointment includes a maximum probationary period of 18 months.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Gurda and seconded by Trustee Scotto. The vote was <u>3</u> ayes to __ nays with __ abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on May 9, 2022.

Department Head Comments

Building Inspector Lewis discussed the recent Planning Board meeting where Goshen Plaza stated they were conforming pads for tenant use, and Starbucks is an expected tenant. In addition, building permits have been issued for a liquor store, Jenny's Nails, and two gyms. In March and April, 29 building permits were issued, along with 25 certificates of occupancy.

Mr. Lewis expressed he is being proactive with the increase in solar use within the Village. He would like to hold an informational course with selected members of the police and fire departments to discuss how to handle emergency calls where solar power is involved. Mayor Wohl expressed his support of this plan.

In addition, Mr. Lewis provided an update that 1 Police Drive is planned for a 72,000 square foot warehouse, which includes a bakery and manufacturing component, while the owner of 260 Main Street is waiting for additional materials to complete the work. There are two properties that will be demolished; 182 Montgomery Street and 359 Main Street. Lastly, Mr. Lewis would like to review and amend building permit fees. Mayor Wohl agreed and shared that we would follow the same process as recently done with towing fees by repealing the law and adding it to the fee schedule.

DPW Superintendent Birney referenced his Activities Report which covered dates April 26, 2022 through May 09, 2022.

ROADS

- 1. Continued Sweeping of Various Village Streets
- 2. Continued Cleanup and Mulching of Village Parks and Facilities
- 3. Continued Mowing Village Hall, Parks, Fire Department and other Village properties
- 4. Worked on Greenhill Reservoir Renovations to access for Boy Scout camping area; Mr. Birney will be contacting the Boy Scouts to let them know the clean up has been done
- 5. Completed Bulk pickup for Spring Cleanup, Fire Garbage Truck G2
 - a. Mr. Birney elaborated on the fire stating that the crushing of a battery caused the fire, and it would be a good idea to publicize to the community that batteries must be removed prior to disposing
- 6. Planted Trees at both Triangle Park and Village Hall
- 7. Fountain is up and Running
- 8. Worked with O&R removing dead trees on South St and Montgomery Str
- 9. Collected and Maintained Parking Meters
- 10. Started Hot asphalt patching of Village Streets

WATER

- 1. Completed Fire Hydrant Flushing
- 2. Read Water Meters for June Billing
- 3. Repaired failed fire hydrant on Dikeman Drive

SEWER

1. Continued Bi-Annual Sewer Jetting of Mains throughout Village

2. Replaced Broken/ Unserviceable Manhole Frames and Covers

Chief Watt discussed the current events taking place at the middle and high schools. He advised that students have been ingesting and vaping THC. Chief Watt has been working closely with the School Superintendent, and the school board on educational and administrative components on the recent events. As a result of the current happenings, there were planned K9 sweeps in both the middle and high schools where findings again involved THC.

Chief Watt shared that the new speed trailer is already being used and if anyone has suggestions on where to place the speed trailer, they should contact the police department. Other incidents included vandalism in the Glen Drive area of Lyons Park, the school bus incident that occurred on Greenwich Avenue on 4/29/22, and the Chief thanked all involved for the 5/2/22 bench dedications for Michael Nuzzolese. Chief Watt shared that a car seat check event took place on 5/7/22, and there wasn't a great turnout because of the weather. The Chief acknowledged Officer Raab for coordinating the event, as well as attending the Spring Cleanup where he took old prescriptions from residents for proper disposal.

Clerk Darby reported the work taking place in the Clerk's office:

- 1. Reviewed GHS scholarship applications
- 2. DASNY Grant
- 3. Obtained plates for Code Enforcement Officer car
- 4. Implemented Multi-factor Authentication
- 5. Update website
 - a. Devine Design
 - b. Photos needed
- 6. Village of Goshen Recycling
 - a. Implemented Recycle Coach App for VOG
 - b. Implemented Recycle Coach Web App
- 7. Water/Sewer Billing
 - Spent a great deal of time trying to identify solutions for billing issues with Goshen Plaza
 - b. Worked on preparing quarter 2 billing

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustees Gurda and Scotto, and Mayor Wohl appreciated the Department Head reports and had nothing additional to add.

Citizens' Comments

Mr. Boxman thanked the Village of Goshen Mayor, Staff, and Police Chief for all of their support with the bench dedications.

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Scotto, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Gurda aye O'Donnell absent Scotto aye